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Prior Foreign Application(s)

PRIORITY CLAIMED

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Yes No

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A REACTION FRAME

POWER OF ATTORNEY BY ASSIGNEE

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Nikon Corporation, Assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the above patent application (which is a Continuation of Application Serial No. 08/627,824, which is a Continuation of Application Serial No. 08/221,375) by virtue of the attached Assignment, hereby revokes all prior powers of attorney and appoints the following as attorneys of record with full power of substitution and revocation to prosecute this application and all continuations and divisions thereof, and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office:

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